

Joel Osteen – The Pastor of Lakewood Church

Joel Scott Osteen is perhaps among the most recognized minister and televangelical Christian pastor. He leads Lakewood Church considered to be among the largest Christian congregations. He was born on March 5, 1963 in Texas, Houston, U.S.A. He is also stated to have written several Christian books that have proved to be the best sellers. The most popular among the lot is ‘Your Best Life Now’!

Divorce humors

He got married in April 1987 to Victoria Osteen. She is also a co-pastor with her husband and part of the church ministry. She also has written numerous best-selling books. They are happily married for over three decades, thus shutting off rumors concerning their divorce.

Early life

His childhood days were spent in Houston along with his five siblings. John Osteen was a pastor in Southern Baptist and is credited with establishing Lakewood Church. Dolores Ann Pilgrim, his mother was a nurse. She also had published a memoir in 2017. Joel Osteen’s siblings are Tamara, Paul, Justin, Lisa and April. They are also Christian ministry members. He joined Humble High School completing which he registered in Tulsa with Oral Roberts University, Oklahoma. Here, he pursued a course in TV and Radio communications, but left it in the middle.

Career

In 1982, he quit college after freshman year and assisted his parents to lead the church. Initially, he worked as television program producer for Lakewood ministry that his parents developed and hosted. For about 17 years, he worked there, where his father kept on motivating and influencing him. Later, he preached along with his father, delivering his very first sermon on January 17, 1999. He got appointed as Lakewood Church’s senior pastor by the end of the year. Presently he serves along with Victoria, his wife.

Controversy

August 2017 saw the wrath of ‘Hurricane Harvey’. People through different social media sites had criticized him. This was because of his initial refusal to create an emergency shelter within the huge Lakewood Church for those displaced by this hurricane. But later, he reversed his decision and opened it up to provide shelter. Houston City proclaimed ‘Lakewood Church Day’.

Recognitions

As a preacher, he enjoyed tremendous success. He also received several recognitions and accolades. Broadcaster Barbara Walters had counted Joel as one of the ‘Top 10 Festinating people of the year 2006’. He even got invitation from the then President of the U.S. Barrack Obama to

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